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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Greene County/HzW/ General

DATE:

December 22, 1988

FROM:

Charles L. Kroeger, SRO

SUBJ:

Oil Spill at Robberson and Elm

On December 20, 1988, I received a call from Gene Pabst of the Springfield Sanitary Services indicating that there had been a spill of transformer fluid in the lot at the corner of Robberson and Elm Streets in Springfield.

I contact the EERP and advised them of the situation and they suggested that we request assistance from the City of Springfield in getting the oil tested and possibly cleaned up. I then spoke with Dave Fraley of the City Utilities and who had spoken with James Patton of the EER and had agreed to meet me at the site and test the oil with a PCB test kit. We met at the site and tested the oil which had by that time been spread by auto traffic.

The test indicated that the oil did not contain a regulated amount of PCB's so I contacted the property owner, Mr. Arch Bay. Mr. Bay indicated that he was already aware of the problem and had both placed floor-dri on the oil and had it tested. The results of his test also indicated no regulated amount of PCB's. He agreed to have someone go to the site and place more absorbent material on the oil to prevent further migration from the spill site.

cc: Gene Pabst, Springfield Sanitary Services
James Patton, EER, DNR

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